

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2493

INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

AMCONSUL BARCELONA

AMEMBASSY MADRID

AMEMBASSY ROME

UNCLAS ABIDJAN 2621

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, EAIR, IV, IT

SUBJ: HIJACKING OF IBERIA AIRCRAFT

REF: (A) MADRID 1904, (B) ALGIERS 0680, (C) ABIDJAN 2560

(NOTAL), (D) 72 ABIDJAN 3806 (NOTAL)

BEGIN SUMMARY: HIJACKED IBERIA 727 LANDED ABIDJAN 1840

MARCH 14 AND DEPARTED AT MIDNIGHT. HIJACKER IS LUCIANO

PORCARI, AN ITALIAN PREVIOUSLY RESIDENT ABIDJAN AND

INVOLVED IN 1972 HIJACK ATTEMPT (REF D). IVORIAN

AUTHORITIES COMPLIED WITH PORCARI'S DEMANDS FOR DELIVERY

OF HIS FIVE YEAR OLD DAUGHTER AND 35 MILLION CFA

(\$140,000). GOIC HANDLING OF INCIDENT WAS CALM AND

PROFESSIONAL. NO AMCITS INVOLVED. END SUMMARY.

1. GOIC OPERATION WAS DIRECTED BY MINISTERS OF INTERNAL

SECURITY AND DEFENSE, AND DIRECTOR OF SURETE. ITALIAN

AMBASSADOR, TOGETHER WITH PREVIOUS ACQUAINTANCES OF

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PORCARI, SPOKE WITH HIM AND ATTEMPTED NEGOTIATE

PASSENGER RELEASE. AMBASSADOR REPORTED ALL PASSENGERS

SPANISH NATIONALS EXCEPT ONE GERMAN. PASSENGERS

REPORTEDLY DID NOT WISH DISEMBARK ABIDJAN, AND ASKED

TO CONTINUE TO ITALY.

2. AIRCRAFT WAS KEPT AWAY FROM PUBLIC PORTION OF AIRPORT,

AND MILITARY DEPLOYED OUT OF SIGHT. CONSULAR OFFICER  
PRESENT AT AIRPORT REPORTS IVORIANS HANDLED SITUATION  
COOLLY AND COMPETENTLY, WITH HEALTH SERVICES, FIRE  
PREVENTION AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AT THE READY. GIVEN SHORT  
NOTICE OF AIRCRAFT ARRIVAL, IVORIAN SECURITY PERFORMANCE  
IMPRESSIVE.  
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